



Trafficking in Bradford

Major South Simcoe Police bust in Bradford.

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Taking steps for MS

Doug Poirier and team were among hundreds walking.

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A tree-planting followed the BWG Community Clean-Up, on April 21 - in time for Earth Day.

Community Clean-Up Day

The Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury held its Spring Community Clean Up Day on Saturday, April 21 - just in time for Earth Day.

Three buses donated by Parkview Transit carried volunteers to a number of park and trail sites around Bradford, where they picked up litter. Gloves, garbage bags and protective vests were provided.

But first, participants watched the annual "Clean Sweep Challenge" for the Golden Broom, held at the Bradford & District Community Centre. A Scout Team challenged the Town Council team (Mayor Doug White, daughters Jamie and Jaclyn, and Councillor Del Crake), to see who could sweep up 100 pucks scattered on the ground the fastest, using only brooms and shovels.

The Council team remained undefeated. It was a light-hearted start to a day with a more serious message. Participants found plenty to clean up, in the Summerlyn Valleys, Kuzmich Park, and the vacant field across from Bradford District High School.

There were also signs of illegal dumping of sod and dirt fill, tossed into parks by homeowners, and concrete, pallet boxes and other construction debris, dumped by unprincipled contractors.

And Councillor Crake picked up nearly a dozen plastic bags of dog feces - dropped along the trail in the Summerlyn Valleys by dog owners who picked up after their pets, but left the bags in the park.

"I'm proud that we have a lot of people who care and commit their time," said Mayor White, "I'm disappointed and annoyed at those who litter." It would be a better community, he said, "if everybody just did their bit."

There was also a tree-planting in the afternoon, along Fraser Creek near Trailside Drive. Volunteers planted 50 trees - including native white pine, white spruce, and 3 endangered

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Bridging the gap in funding

Bradford West Gwillimbury is facing the gap faced by many other municipalities - the gap between the cost of replacing aging infrastructure, and the amount of money available for maintenance, repairs and replacement.

An Asset Management Study, conducted by GHD Inc. in co-operation

with Town departments, identified \$525 million worth of assets in the municipality - from roads, to water and sewer infrastructure, to recreational facilities - and a shortfall.

For rural roads, the Town should be setting aside \$1.75 million per year; the actual figure is \$350,000. Replacement of water

and wastewater assets come to \$2.1 million and \$3.4 million per year, respectively; the Town spends about \$1 million on each.

Jon Morton, Engineering Services, presented the study, and urged the development of an Asset Replacement Plan, to help the Town "meet a required level of service in a cost-effective manner at an acceptable level of risk, through the management of assets for present and

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Police bust drug, theft ring



Paul Novosad photo

Police execute a search warrant at a licensed establishment in Bradford, on April 19, which police allege is a "centre of criminal activity."

On Thursday, April 19, South Simcoe Police, with the assistance of the Barrie Police Service and Toronto Police, concluded a 15 week undercover investigation into drug and stolen property trafficking in the Town of Bradford.

The investigation, Project Full Moon, identified a licensed establishment in the Town as the main centre of criminal activity. As a result of the investigation, six Controlled Drugs and Substances Act Search Warrants were executed at a number of residences and the licensed premises. Four Bradford West Gwillimbury males, ages 33, 43, 50 and 51, were arrested and charged with a large number of offences including Possession of a Controlled Drug, Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking, Conspiracy to Commit Trafficking, Break Enter and Theft, Possession of Stolen Property, Trafficking in Stolen Property, Breach of Undertaking, and Breach of Recognizance. The males were held for a Bail Hearing, April 20, in Barrie.

Police declined to identify the downtown licensed business involved, but witnesses said the activity centred around Timmy's Pub, which has an entrance off the Mary's Street Parking lot. Police confirm that one of those

arrested was the owner of the business. Officers seized small quantities of cocaine, marijuana, Oxycodone, morphine and methadone with a street value of approximately \$20,000. Also recovered was a quantity of stolen property, including a motorcycle, and a computer system. Police seized a 2002 SUV belonging to one of the accused, as offence-related property.

Investigation is ongoing, and further arrests and charges are pending against another 17 individuals. A total of more than 130 Controlled Drug and Substance Act and Criminal Code charges have been laid or are pending.

South Simcoe Police Auction

South Simcoe Police Service will hold its annual Police Auction of recovered and unclaimed property on Saturday, May 5, at the B & A Auction Centre on Yonge St. at the 14th Line. Viewing begins at 3 p.m., the Auction starts at 5 p.m. Tools, bicycles and other items will be up for auction, to raise funds for community policing programs.



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our editorial

Welcome to Pay it Forward

The Bradford Times has always been and will continue to be a free newspaper, delivered to every household in Bradford West Gwillimbury - but in an effort to provide an incentive to carriers, meet costs, and 'give back' to the community, we are launching a Voluntary Payment Plan.

We are asking our readers to agree to pay \$5 per month to receive The Times. A portion of the contribution will go to the carriers - and the rest goes to the Times and Bradford's Helping Hand Food Bank.

Those who participate in the program will also receive a monthly ballot for a chance to win prizes, as a thank-you for signing up.

There's no compulsion to participate. And if you don't sign up, you'll still get your Times.

It's just a way say Thank You to the carriers, and hopefully, raise a little more money for Bradford's food bank, which assists an average of 100

families and individuals in need each week.

A chance to Pay it Forward.

Just a reminder: Residents have until April 30 to propose a name for the Replacement School, that will be built to amalgamate Fred C. Cook and Bradford Public Schools. Submission forms are available online at bwa.scdsb.on.ca or fcc.scdsb.on.ca, or the office of The Times, and can be dropped off at either school.

But we agree with resident Jean Keffler: Why not keep the name, Fred C. Cook?

Cook (1902-1975) was a former Deputy Reeve, a representative on County Council, a lay reader at the Anglican Church, a Mason, and according to Joe Magani, Mayor of Bradford at the time of Cook's death, "a very beautiful man."

Coming up with a new name may "make" history; keeping the name would conserve history.



Miriam King photo, Bradford Times

Bradford West Gwillimbury Councillor Del Crane joins the BWG Community Clean-up day on April 21 - and seems disgusted by the number of dog dirt bags left along the trail in the Summerlyn Valley lands by irresponsible dog owners.

letters to the editor

The dirt on dog dirt

To the editor: I am writing with concerns about a problem in our community, with people and dogs. Especially dog waste, and OTHER people's lawns. After numerous calls to our By-law Department, with little response, I decided to write this letter.

There have been recent editorials reminding people of their responsibility to "scoop their dog's poop", but the message is not getting out there - or worse, it is being ignored! People must clean up after their own pets.

At best, dog waste in your yards is a nuisance. It smells, is messy and can get onto our shoes. At worst, dog waste is a health concern. Dog waste can contain Giardia - microscopic parasites that can cause intestinal illness; E. coli - which we have all heard about; Salmonella and many other pathogens transmissible to humans.

Dog owners carry the responsibility, and the rules are simple: Clean up after your pet and dispose of its waste properly.

If you see a dog owner leaving waste behind, respectfully suggest that they obey the By-law, which is Section 4.9 of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury By-law 2006-027, and can result in a fine of \$205.

In closing, do those dog-walkers that do not respect the By-law think it is fair or even decent to leave their dog's waste for another landowner to clean up or dispose of - or worse, to inadvertently step into, or have their unsuspecting children step into?

Within our community, it seems that homeowners on corner lots are most affected, so please give extra thought and consideration to those of us that care enough to take a stand - and watch out for those who do not respect our right to full enjoyment of our own properties.

Concerned Bradford Citizen (Name withheld at request of author)

Loaves & Fishes wrap-up

To the editor: The Loaves and Fishes growing project of South Simcoe had another great year in 2011. From 297 acres, we were able to raise \$205,000 which was sent to the Canadian Food Grains Bank (CFGB) headquarters in Winnipeg. Good yields and excellent commodity prices helped make this another banner year.

The following people, organizations and businesses helped with the crop production by donating land, inputs and equipment - Gail Baldero; Maria & Wayne Benjamins; Isaac, James, John & Sally Borland; Bob Bill, Chad & Ken Bowman; Glenn Brethart; Ian Campbell; Donna Chantier; Norm Cook; Brad Copeland; Bruce & Mary Ellen Dryburgh; Len & Carol Duckworth; Doug & Leo Dykstra; Kevin, John & Harry Elases; Ingrid Harich; Lois Pailly; Maurizio Paillet; Gladys & Bryan Fieldhouse; Manfred & Marilyn Gratz; Steve & Sue Hall; Karen & Peter Harvey; John, Rick, Scott & Tim Horlings; Warren Jackson; Robert, Jean & Matthew Keffler; John, Jason, Roger, Steve, Larry, Anne, Stephen & Bonnie Kell; William King; Anna Marie LiPretti; Ron Lloyd; Murray Morrison; Man-O-Sa Landscaping Inc.; Doug & Jim Patton; Ruth & Nick Ploeg; Doug & Donna Reynolds; Dan & David River; Mary Srebnik; Caria VanderZaag; Andy & Lori Van Niekerk; Paul Wardlaw; Walter Wiesening; Ernie, Daina, Peter and Thomas Wierence; Jim Williams; Jeff & Monica Wohlgemuth; Bowen Brothers, Bradford Co-op, Bradford Print Shoppe, Charven Farms Ltd., Dunkerton Elevators Inc., FS Partners, Halliwell Farms Inc., Hewitt Kees Farms Ltd., Holmar Farms, Kell Farms Ltd., Kell Grain Elevator, Pioneer Hi-Brand, Syngenta, William King Farms Inc., and the Georgian Bay Steam & Antique Association. Many churches,

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Meet Brea Bartholet, intern



Brea Bartholet is a 21-year-old Journalism student, born in Newmarket and raised in Bradford. Striving to graduate from Durham College in June, her passion for writing is continuing here at The Bradford Times.

Aside from scheduling interviews, meeting the public, attending photo shoots, and trying to make deadline, she is also a proud member of Jennings School of Karate, and has been for sixteen years. She is excited to be working with The Times crew, and looks forward to learning more about the community she calls home. She'll be with the Times at least until May 18. Look for her articles in the newspaper - this week, on page 24, with a look at the Fun in Athletics program.



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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PASS A BY-LAW TO REMOVE A HOLDING SYMBOL FROM ZONING BY-LAW 2010-050 PURSUANT TO SECTION 36(4) OF THE PLANNING ACT, AS AMENDED

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury intends to pass an amending by-law to remove a holding symbol from Zoning By-law 2010-050 pursuant to subsection 36(4) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P13, as amended.

The lands to which the proposed by-law applies is municipally known as Block 160, Plan 51M-550, Sandstone Development (Summerlyn) Phase 2c, as it relates to the draft plan of subdivision prepared by Rady – Penick and Edward Surveying Ltd. as JOB No. 11-184, CAD FILE No. 1118451c, dated November 23, 2011, as shown on the map below.

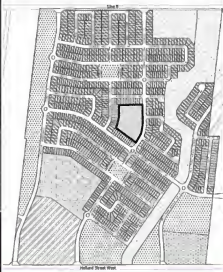
The effect of the removal of the holding symbol from 2010-050 is that the lands will be zoned Institutional/Residential One Exemption 1/R1-31 Zone, thereby permitting the development of the property for residential purposes in accordance with the Subdivision Agreement.

The earliest the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury proposes to meet to pass the amending by-law is at a meeting scheduled for May 1, 2012 in the Council Chambers, 57 Holland Street East, Bradford beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Additional information regarding the proposed by-law is available for public inspection during regular office hours at the Planning & Development Services Office, 3541 Line 11, Bradford West Gwillimbury, Ontario, L3Z 2A8, telephone 905-775-5369.

DATED AT THE TOWN OF BRADFORD WEST GWILLIMBURY THIS 26th DAY OF APRIL, 2012.

Tara Reynolds, Deputy Clerk



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Located within the broader GTA, in southern Simcoe County, Bradford West Gwillimbury is a thriving municipality of 25,000 residents. Bradford is our main urban centre and our blend of rural and urban communities encompasses 200 square kilometres of rolling countryside and the well-known Holland Marsh. Major investments have been made to the Town's wastewater infrastructure which includes an expanded state of the art Wastewater Treatment Plant.

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The successful applicant will possess an Environmental Technician and/or Environmental Technology diploma, have the Class IV examination passed in Wastewater Treatment and a Class II in Wastewater Collection. Preferred candidates will have five (5) years related experience as an Operator in a similar facility with two years as an Operator in charge of a Class III or Class IV facility. The successful candidate will have working knowledge of computer applications, bioassays, SCADA, PLC, preventive maintenance (Electrical and Mechanical), and collection system (pumping stations), combined with solid technical skills and the ability to communicate effectively, professionally and courteously with all levels of staff, developers, contractors and the general public. The successful candidate must possess a valid class G driver's licence in good standing with reliable transportation. A Class D2 licence would be considered an asset.

The Town offers an attractive hourly wage rate of \$31.28 to \$39.10 (2012 rates) plus a competitive benefit package, and an opportunity to grow with us.

To explore these challenging opportunities further, we invite qualified applicants to forward their resume and covering letter in confidence, quoting File Number 2012-WS04 by May 11th, 2012 to:

Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury,
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We thank all applicants for their interest. However, only those being considered for an interview will be contacted. In accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, personal information is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act, and will only be used for candidate selection.

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All Regular, Special and Committee of the Whole Meetings are held at the Council Chambers, Court House, 57 Holland Street East, Bradford, ON unless otherwise noted. Meeting dates, times, and agendas are available from the Town's website at www.townofbwg.com

For further information, please contact the Clerk's Department at (905) 775-5366.

Regular Meetings of Council & Committee of the Whole (after Council Meetings)

- Tues. May 1/12 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Tues. May 15/12 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Tues. Jun. 5/12 @ 7:00 p.m.

Police Services Board

Mon. May 28/12 meet the new Police Chief Richard J. Bazley at 6:00 p.m., meeting will begin @ 7:00 p.m., Innisfil Town Hall

Library Board

Mon. May 14/12 @ 7:00 p.m., BWG Library & Cultural Centre, 425 Holland St. W.

Committee of Adjustment

Wed. May 23/12 @ 8:00 p.m., BWG Library & Cultural Centre, Boardroom, 425 Holland St. W.

Housing for the Aging Population Committee

Wed. May 16/12 @ 7:00 p.m., Frank Jonkman Room, 81 Melbourne Dr.

Active Transportation Committee

Thurs. May 10/12 @ 7:30 p.m., BWG Library & Cultural Centre, Zima Room, 425 Holland St. W.

Downtown Revitalization Committee

Wed. May 2/12 @ 7:00 p.m., St. Mary's Hall, 31 Frederick St.

Accessibility Advisory Committee

Mon. May 14/12 @ 4:00 p.m., BWG Library & Cultural Centre, Boardroom, 425 Holland St. W.

Municipal Heritage Committee

Mon. Apr. 30/12 @ 7:00 p.m., BWG Library & Cultural Centre, Boardroom, 425 Holland St. W.

Fire & Emergency Services Committee

Thurs. May 3/12 @ 4:00 p.m., Frank Jonkman Room, 81 Melbourne Dr.

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Thurs. Jun. 14/12 @ 1:00 p.m., TBA

Municipal Facilities Committee

Tues. May 8/12 @ 4:00 p.m., BWG Library & Cultural Centre, Zima Room, 425 Holland St. W.

PROCLAMATIONS

That His Worship Mayor White and Council proclaim:

April 23-30 as Pitch in Canada Week

May 1-31 as 145 Indigenous Wards

Monday, May 14 as Leave Your Car Behind Day

The Police Services Board would like to invite Community Members to meet the new Police Chief Richard J. Bazley in Innisfil Town Hall on May 28, 2012 starting at 6:00 p.m. The Police Services Board meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Thank you

Judi Meyntz
Executive Assistant

Bradford West Gwillimbury/Innisfil Police Services Board
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NOTICE

ROAD CLOSURE FOR THE PROCESSION

OUR LADY OF FATIMA - EVENING VIGIL, MAY 12, 2012

TAKE NOTICE that the temporary road closure for Saturday, May 12, 2012 from 8:00pm to 9:00pm will take place at the following locations:

Essex Street, from Holy Marys of Japan Church to John Street,
John Street, from Essex Street to Church Street,
Church Street, from Essex Street to Holy Marys of Japan Church.

Dated: at the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury this 17th day of April, 2012.

D.R. Knox

Glen Knox, Acting Clerk

NOTICE

ROAD CLOSURE FOR THE PROCESSION

OUR LADY OF FATIMA - EVENING VIGIL, MAY 13, 2012

TAKE NOTICE that the temporary road closure for Sunday, May 13, 2012 from 2:00pm to 3:00pm will take place at the following locations:

Church Street, from Holy Marys of Japan Church to Fletcher,
Fletcher Street, from Church Street to Barrie Street,
Barrie Street, from Fletcher Street to Holland Street,
Holland Street, from Barrie Street to Church Street,
Church Street, from Holland Street to Holy Marys of Japan Church.

Dated: at the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury this 17th day of April, 2012.

D.R. Knox

Glen Knox, Acting Clerk

COMPETITIVE BID

RFP #: P-12-11

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR BRIDGE AND STRUCTURE REPLACEMENT - 2012

The Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury is seeking proposals from professional consultants to assist Town staff with the engineering services outlined in the above noted RFP.

Sealed proposals, clearly marked as to the contents, will be received by the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, until: 2:00 p.m. Friday, May 11th, 2012 at the following address:

The Finance Department

61 Holland Street East, PO Box 160,
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Proposal documents may be obtained by registering for this opportunity on-line on the Town's Website as follows:

www.town.bradfordwestgwillimbury.on.ca/TownHall/PurchasingTendersandRFPs/index.htm

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Construction hours remain from 7am to 7pm. Through traffic may be subject to lane reductions/interruptions. Intermittently during these working hours.

If you require additional information call the Holland Marsh Drainage System Joint Municipal Services Board at 905-776-4321. Please leave your name, phone number and your concerns and someone will return your call as soon as possible.

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businesses and individuals donated money that was also highly appreciated.

This completes 14 years of activity for the Loaves & Fishes Growing Project. We have sent over \$1.6 million to the CFBG. It seems like a large sum, especially when matched by our Federal government through CIDA at up to 4:1, making that number closer to \$6 million. Every dollar raised helps those who suffer from severe food shortages caused by drought and other calamities. Unfortunately the needs persist, especially in Sub Saharan Africa. Southern Sudan, Eritrea, Kenya and Somalia have been major recipients of our food aid.

It continues to be a privilege to serve with the many wonderful, generous people of South Simcoe, who make this possible. I thank you all for your faithful support.

Peter Vander Zaag, Co-ordinator Loaves & Fishes Growing Project

Volunteers at Bradford Valley

To the editor: During National Volunteer Week, April 15-22, Bradford Valley Specialty Care held its annual Volunteer Appreciation Event in Honour of their wonderful volunteers.

Bradford Valley has 125 volunteers who dedicate their time in various roles: Pet therapy, tack shop, Friendly Visitors, spiritual care, palliative care, special events, physio, co-op students. The list is endless. In 2011, the volunteers donated an outstanding 8,200 volunteer hours.

Volunteers were presented with Certificates of Appreciation for their contributions - and Edna Weir received the Volunteer of the Year Award, for her assistance with special events, bingos and outings. For more information on the Bradford Valley volunteer program or to get involved, contact Lisa Lloyd, Volunteer Co-ordinator, at 905-952-3356 or email Lisa.Lloyd@specialty-care.com

Lisa Lloyd, Bradford Valley



Rachel Agnoluzzi, Philanthropic Giving Officer at Southlake (left) thanks Danube Seniors Leisure Centre President Gerda Stykhuis for donation, Apr. 19.

34th Annual BWG

MARSH MASH

Saturday May 12, 2012

World Team Qualifier

The race starts at the Springdale Christian Reformed Church on Canal Road, with registration beginning at 8 a.m. and racing at 10 a.m.

Contact: Iain Craig at 905-893-1323 or Leisure Services at 905-775-5359 ext. 5102

Visit www.marshmash.ca for more details.

Images for Life, at the Danube

Rachel Agnoluzzi, Philanthropic Giving Officer at Southlake Regional Health Centre, was the special guest at the Danube Seniors Leisure Centre's Birthday Luncheon, April 19. She came to accept a cheque for \$1,000 from the members - and to talk about the new "Images for Life" Campaign, just launched by the Hospital Foundation.

The goal is to raise \$10 million, to purchase a second MRI for the Newmarket hospital, and to upgrade and re-equip the Interventional Radiology Suite.

Agnoluzzi explained that Southlake aims to offer state-of-the-art services and treatment close to home, for residents of York Region, Simcoe County and Muskoka Region - but currently there is a waiting period of up to 100 days for MRI imaging for non-urgent cases, and up to 1 year for cardiac patients. In 2011, Southlake performed 10,245 MRI scans - but another 3,500 patients, had to travel to Toronto to receive imaging services, despite the lease of a second MRI, housed in a trailer in Southlake's parking lot.

And the hospital's interventional radiology suite is "out-dated... It's a 'make-do' she said. An upgraded IRS will allow Southlake staff to perform revolutionary new treatments, like implanting radioactive "seeds" directly into inoperable tumours,

and removing blockages in the legs of diabetic patients. "It's pretty amazing stuff - and it's urgently needed at Southlake."

The new Suite is now under construction, slated to open by the Fall - and a new MRI could be up and running by Spring of 2014. Agnoluzzi noted that while the province provides funding for Staff and Operational expenses at Ontario hospitals, "if we want the technology, (funding) needs to come from the community."

Over the years, the Danube Centre, located at 715 Simcoe Rd, has donated \$86,000 for Southlake's priorities. "You've helped us do some amazing things!" Agnoluzzi said.

Coming up:

• **The Centre's Giant Spring, Garage and White Elephant Sale** takes place Saturday, April 28, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. - with music by Wayne Jones DJ, Services, and lunch available. Donations for the sale welcomed.

• The next Concert presented by the Danube Centre and EPC Management features **Shon Carroll as Chubby Checker and Dion**, backed by the band **Gerie & The Koasters**. Doors open 7:30 p.m., Show starts 8 p.m. Refreshments available at intermission. Emcee is comedian **Victor J. Hanson**. Tickets \$25 each - at the Centre, 905-775-0812, Nancy's Nifty Nook, 905-775-7874 and M & M Meat Shops, 905-775-2882.



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A Tec-We-Gwill celebration



Photos and story by Miriam King, Bradford Times

Above: Volunteers in the newly-renovated kitchen at the Tec-We-Gwill Women's Institute Hall in Newton Robinson. Below: Charter members of the Tec-We-Gwill Women's Institute Emyln Westlake (left) and Ella Langford accept congratulations from Mayor Doug White and W.I. President Gladys Fieldhouse, on the 65th Anniversary of Tec-We-Gwill, and the opening of the new kitchen.

There was a celebration at the Tec-We-Gwill Women's Institute Hall, on Friday, April 20th: 2012 marks the 65th Anniversary of the Tec-We-Gwill Women's Institute, 115th Anniversary of Women's Institutes in Ontario, and the 175th Anniversary of the Hall itself, once the Newton Robinson Orange Hall.

The event also marked the opening of the facility's newly-renovated kitchen - thanks to a \$29,000 Ontario Trillium grant, and the hard work of volunteers.

To celebrate, the Tec-We-Gwill Women's Institute hosted a Roast Beef Dinner, with music provided by the Bond Head Old Tyne Fiddlers, and received congratulations from 3 levels of government, including the Mayors of both Bradford West Gwillimbury and New Tecumseth.

MP for York Simcoe, the Hon. Peter Van Loan praised Women's Institutes for their contributions to Canadian families and to health - and for preserving the 175 year old Newton Robinson Hall. "This is where the WI really stepped in, and kept this wonderful gem alive," Van Loan said, praising the "tremendous effort" of the volunteers "in making sure this building stays maintained, alive, and an important part of our local heritage."

Among those attending the ceremony were two of the original Charter members of the Tec-We-Gwill WI, Emyln Westlake and Ella Langford, current President Gladys Fieldhouse, and Secretary Donna

Jebs - who spoke of the contributions of Women's Institutes over the years, since WI was founded in Stony Creek, Ontario in 1897.

W.I. successfully lobbied for wrapped bread, centre lines on roads, flashing lights on school buses, and pasteurization of milk. Today, the Tec-We-Gwill WI supports 4-H programs for youth, Meals on Wheels, Camp Quality, South Simcoe Arts Council's music festival, life skills and leadership classes for women, lunches for Seniors, Associated Country Women of the World programs providing clean water, and numerous other activities.

The celebration coincided with National Volunteer Week; Tec-We-Gwill WI members contributed 2,162 volunteer hours in their community last year.



Country Dance in Newton Robinson!

The Probus Club of Bradford is hosting a **Country Dance** for ALL ages on Saturday, April 28 at the Tec-We-Gwill Hall in Newton Robinson (Country Rd. 27 and the 10th Line).

Doors open at 7:30 p.m., Dancing begins at 8 p.m. - a fun-filled evening of Country, Irish, Scottish and

Canadian Dances, called by David and Ann Kennett. Come out and learn traditional dances - and have fun!

Admission is only \$15 per person. For tickets contact Peter Ellis, 705-458-4852 or email peterellis1000@gmail.com

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Dental Health Month

Frankie Flowers at Dentist

South Simcoe Dental Care is holding its Grand Opening on Saturday, May 12, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Come and join Dr. Michael Laureola and staff at 547 Holland St. West, for free food, refreshments, face-painting, balloons, a free sports mouthguard with every new patient exam, a chance to win a free Laser Whitening Session - and a chance to meet Bradford's own Frankie Flowers (gardening expert and TV personality Frankie Ferragine), who will hold a book-signing for his latest book, *Pot It Up*. *Pot It Up* is a beautiful book that offers 150 seasonal ideas for creating a mini-garden in a pot. Plants are all locally grown, and the photos were taken in the Bradford area. A great Mother's Day gift! All proceeds of book sales will go to a local charity. Ribbon-cutting at 12.

Healthy Smiles Ontario

Appointments are now being booked for the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit's mobile dental clinic, which will visit Bradford. The Healthy Smiles Ontario program provides

dental services for children 17 and under, who have no access to any other form of dental coverage, and are members of a family with an Adjusted Family Net income of \$20,000 or less. To find out if your children are eligible for Healthy Smiles Ontario, and to book an appointment, call Your Health Connection, 1-877-721-7520 Mon. to Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or see www.simcoemuskokahealth.org

Dentistry from the Heart

Can't afford dental services? Dr. Jesse Chai will be holding his 2nd annual Dentistry from the Heart Event on Friday, June 1. Dr. Chai and his staff will volunteer their services, offering fillings, cleanings and extractions on a first-come, first-served basis - one service per customer. Last year, the one-day blitz helped a total of 60 patients, and donated \$13,000 in free dental care - plus another \$6,000 in miscellaneous costs to promote and market the event. "This is my way of helping and giving back to the community," Dr. Chai says. Bradford Family Dentistry, is located at 76 Holland St. West in Bradford, Suite 203. See www.bradfordfamilydentist.ca

Milk Bag mats for Kenya

by Josie Mills

This year, 23 students from Holy Trinity High School will be going to Kenya, for a Kenya Leadership and Study Program with Free the Children/Me to We. Not only will they be building a school, digging water trenches for clean water and helping out in a Kenyan community, they are taking

along 3 or 4 "milk bag mats" made by Ms. Leblanc. The mats are made of recycled milk bags, cut into strips and crocheted together. The Holy Trinity Green Team helped by collecting hundreds of milk bags from fellow students. The mats are surprising light-weight, warm and durable - and perfect for Kenyan families who may have to sleep on a cold dirt floor. We asked Ms. Leblanc about the project.

What inspired you to make milk bag mats?

Ms. Leblanc: There was a presentation (w) the Tiger Green Team that Mr. Mainoli thought I would be interested in. Turns out he was right I've crocheted the mats

ever since.

Where are the mats used?

Ms. Leblanc: Many of the mats go to Haiti... They are usually sent to countries that are experiencing flooding, drought, poverty and other common disasters. They provide a relatively comfortable, safe,

clean and waterproof bed for the people who receive them.

How long does it take to complete a mat?

Ms. Leblanc: It takes 50 to 60 hours to crochet one

mat - and that doesn't even include the cutting of the milk bags, which can take a great amount of time, too! It's hard work, but it's worth it... The mats use many milk bags that would usually end up in landfills, and turn them into a helpful resource. It keeps bags out of landfills and kids warm. The Tiger Green Team is proud to have contributed to the project, and wishes the Kenya team a safe and successful trip. They leave May 5.

Submitted photo: Tiger Green Team and milk bag mat for Kenya.



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Community Meal needs volunteers

The Bradford Community Meal is seeking volunteers - to cook, prepare and serve the free Community Meals at Bradford United Church, 66 Barrie St. in Bradford.

The Community Meal has been operating since 2004, funded by donations. Every Friday evening at 5:30 p.m. volunteers prepare and serve a hot nutritious meal, free to anyone on a fixed income, limited budget, pension or social assistance, or just in need of a good meal.

There are 7 teams of dedicated volunteers, on a 7-week rotation. Interested? Full training and ongoing support will be provided by experienced team members. To inquire about becoming a volunteer,

contact Pierrette Grondin, 905-775-3660 or pgrondin3@gmail.com

Initiatives AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the Bradford West Gwillimbury Community Initiatives, operating the Bradford Community Meal, is on Weds., May 23, 7:30 p.m. at Bradford United Church, 66 Barrie St. in Bradford. Positions on the Board of Directors are open to any voting member: Voting members include any person who is interested in and supports the objectives of the Corporation, and pays the annual membership fee of \$2, as set in the by-laws.

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Less Tin in a Grin (Advances in Braces)

Smile is the most striking part of any face. Do you like your smile now? Do you think your smile (or that of your child's) can be improved? Orthodontics can boost a person's self-image as the teeth, jaws and lips become properly aligned, but an attractive smile is just one of the benefits of orthodontic treatment. Crowded teeth may lead to tooth decay, gum disease, bone destruction and chewing and digestive difficulties. A "bad bite" can contribute to speech impairments, tooth loss, chipped teeth, TMJ and other dental injuries.

New advances in orthodontic technology and technique are making braces less noticeable and more comfortable and are changing the way your orthodontist improves your smile. In some cases, it also means you'll achieve your new smile faster.

In the past, the most noticeable part of the braces was the stainless steel bands wrapped around and cemented to individual teeth. Today, you may need bands on only a couple of teeth. The majority of teeth will have smaller, more comfortable brackets bonded directly to them with adhesive.

Also nearly invisible orthodontic options are now available. Ceramic brackets are tooth colored or clear and are much less noticeable. Lingual braces are applied to the inside of the teeth, so they're not visible at all. And if your orthodontic condition allows, there are also clear aligners (Invisalign®), which really aren't braces in the old-fashioned sense at all. A computer program generates a set of clear aligners that are worn in succession to straighten your teeth.

In the world of Orthodontics, advancements aren't just in braces. Computer technology is rapidly changing and improving the way your orthodontist plans your treatment. Your orthodontic records can now be done digitally, and digital X-rays and digital photographs are saved directly to a computer. And advanced computer programs have provided your orthodontist better tools for diagnosing the problem and planning the treatment for your specific condition.

The 'tin grin' of yesteryear may not be fashionable today, but a healthy, shiny, beautiful smile will never go out of fashion!

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Focus on Business Excellence

South Simcoe Business awards



Great crowd at the front of the room—just some of the many BWG businesses nominated for Customer Service.

The Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury partnered with Nottawasaga Futures to host the 15th annual South Simcoe Business Excellence Awards, April 19 at the new BWG Library and Cultural Centre.

Businesses in the 5 South Simcoe municipalities—Essa, Innisfil, Bradford West Gwillimbury, New Tecumseth and Adjala-Tosoronto—were nominated, and recognized for their achievements and business successes.

Bradford West Gwillimbury Mayor Doug White welcomed guests, noting that economic development is a priority in South Simcoe, which he called the "economic engine of Simcoe County." White added, "We need to have more people shopping locally, we need to have more people working locally, we need to have fewer people commuting, we need fewer people spending their money outside the municipality."

"He thanked local entrepreneurs for making that possible, and for 'having the courage to take an idea and put it into practice... The real winners are the thousands of people who call South Simcoe 'home.'"

Special guest, MP for York-Simcoe, the Hon. Peter Van Loan, also saluted the "people who create jobs, take risks... We believe that free enterprise and initiative are the cornerstone of

our economy."

This year's Business Excellence Awards received 393 nominations, narrowed down to 118 finalists—about 75 from BWG. The winners were: **Financial Institution Community Support & Leadership**—Bradford RBC.

Margot Cooney Agricultural Award—Cathy's Crawly Composters, Bradford West Gwillimbury.

Business Award for the Promotion & Advancement of Literacy—RBC, Town of Innisfil.

Customer Service Award—Certificates were presented to every nominee. Winner was the Alliston Home Hardware Building Centre, located in Adjala-Tosoronto.

Certificate recipients from BWG: Bradford Family Dentistry, Bradford Academy of Music, Bradford Plumbing, Bradford TIM-BR Mart, Cabana Tan, CIBC Bradford, Coffee Culture Cafe & Eatery, Healthy by Choice, Larcom Solutions Inc., Luskano Restaurant & Catering, M & M Meat Shops, Maverick Benefits Inc., Nancy's Nifty Nook, RBC Financial, Royal LePage, The Flower Merchant, The Tin Roof Restaurant, Tupling Insurance Brokers, U Weight Loss Clinic-Bradford, and Victoria Bourque Beauty Boutique. **Innisfil nominees:** British by Design, Dog Scouts, Graphic Apparel Inc., Hands

Over Time, Lasting Effect, Lice Squad Canada, M & M Meat Shops, Pet Country Estate, Sandy Cove Acres, SNAP South Simcoe, The Fork & Plate Family Grill Inc., The Place for Paws, Toronto North/Cookstown KOA.

New Business of the Year—Fishburn Outfitters, Town of New Tecumseth.

Quality Award for Micro Business—Nu-Tek Electric of Essa Twp.

Quality Award for Small Business—DJ's Pizza & Cafe, Essa Twp.

Quality Award for Medium Business—Sandy Cove Acres community, Innisfil.

Quality Award for Large Business—There were 2 winners of this Award:

W.D. Potato Ltd., of Beeton, New Tecumseth, and The Club at Bond Head, in New Tecumseth and BWG. W.D. Potato founder and president

Walter Davidson arrived in Canada with \$15 in his pocket; now the company employs 150, and is a multi-million dollar enterprise that is "the biggest exporter of chip potatoes into the U.S." Davidson told the crowd, "Surprising what you can do with \$15."

Entrepreneur of the Year Award—Fishburn Outfitters, New Tecumseth. **Business Excellence Award**—Nottawasaga Inn & Resort.

Next year's awards will be hosted by the Township of Essa.



Top: From right, Mayor Doug White and MP for York Simcoe Peter Van Loan congratulate Wayne Brakeboer, RBC-Bradford for winning the Financial Institute Award for Community Support & Leadership, with Ben Dilliant, representing Simcoe-Grey MP Dr. Kellie Leitch. Above: BWG Councillors Del Craik and James Leduc also help present the Margot Cooney Award for Agricultural Excellence to Cathy & Rick Nesbitt of Cathy's Crawly Composters. Below: The Club at Bond Head won the Quality Award for Large Business.



Innovative business model won Dan Lamoureux and Matt Rimmer of Fishburn Outfitters two prestigious awards.

Bradford Board of Trade Business Awards

The Bradford Board of Trade will be holding its 2012 Business Awards Gala on Thursday, June 7th - and is now looking for nominations for this year's Awards. Categories include: **Business Excellence Award**: For a business that has demonstrated outstanding performance, leadership, innovation, management, marketing and service. **Entrepreneur of the Year Award**: An individual who has demonstrated exceptional entrepreneurial skills in building his/her business in the past year.

Home-Based Business Excellence Social & Ecological Responsibility: A business, organization or individual whose business policies and practices in areas of social & ecological responsibility have demonstrated a positive impact on their employees, industry, community and/or environment. **Best New Business Venture**: Established within the last 3 years, demonstrating outstanding performance, leadership, innovation, Management, marketing and service. **Customer Service Excellence**.

Community Development (Business Leader) Award: A business, organization or individual which has made a significant contribution, making the community a better place to live, work or do business. **Quality Awards**, recognizing achievement in a Micro (1-4 employees), Small (5-25), Medium (26 to 49 employees) or Large Business (50 or more employees). Please submit name of nominated business and category to awards@bradfordboardoftrade.com by April 27; forms will be sent to the nominee.



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When it's time to Glo

A-Maine Bodies Fitness has been in business in Bradford for 9 years, at 389 Dissette St. - but it won't be celebrating a 10th Anniversary.

Owner Sandy Mainsie is closing the fitness centre's doors. On April 22, she held a Content Sale, selling off state-of-the-art equipment, and everything from artificial plants to office desks.

The business suffered two blows, from which it was never able to recover.

The first was the widening of Dissette St. It wasn't just the unexpected power outages or loss of water as a result of the construction, but "mostly the dangers of the road," Mainsie says. For much of the construction period, lanes were poorly demarcated and many patrons reported close calls. "It was crazy!" Business fell off.

But the biggest blow, and one from which the fitness centre was unable to recover, was the opening of the new Bradford West Gwillimbury Leisure Centre, which offers ice rink facilities, an Aquatics Centre, indoor running tracks, gym, and a fitness centre.

"It wouldn't be terrible if they actually competed," Mainsie says - but she can't match the low

membership fees. "I lost people even before the pool opened."

She sees the irony in the situation: her taxes have gone to support the Leisure Centre. "I'm paying to have a gym compete against me," she says.

Mainsie intends to stay in the fitness business. She is opening GLOyoga Bradford, at 300 Holland St. West - offering fitness classes, boot camp, kettlebells, and Yoga - from Slow Flow to Hot Hatha and Dynamic

Yoga. For more information, call 905-551-2GLO (2456) or check out GLOyoga Bradford on Facebook. Grand Opening is May 7.

Mainsie thanks long-time patrons, and her former landlord, Vins Plastics - who, she says, generously let her out of her lease without penalty, "which is wonderful."

And she's hoping that downsizing will be the answer, in a highly competitive market.



Sandy Mainsie, and staffer Courtney Flowers, at the April 22 Content Sale at A-Maine Bodies Fitness, on Dissette - now closed.

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A safe haven, at Wishing Well Sanctuary

Kingston the pot-bellied pig was found wandering the streets of Clarington, and picked up by the local animal control. Put on the auction block to be sold as "livestock," the pig was bought by a kind donor, and brought to Wishing Well Sanctuary in Bradford West Gwillimbury.

Wishing Well is the creation of Brenda Bronfman. The 51 acre property, with its barns and stables, provides a home for rescued farm animals, where they can live out their lives in "joy and open pasture!"

The first rescued animals - 5 sheep and 9 cows - arrived at Wishing Well Sanctuary last October. Since then, the small herds have been joined by Milo the Stallion, Timmy the Donkey, 2 rabbits saved from the stew pot, Jinx the billy goat, and 3 pot-bellied pigs, including Kingston.

Thomas admits she's reaching the limits of space and finances, for the personally-funded venture. The Sanctuary has provincial non-profit status, but needs federal not-for-profit registration before it can issue tax receipts - something that's still in the works.

Her plan is for Wishing Well to become a Sanctuary not only for rescued farm animals, but for people -

using the strong bonds between humans and animals to encourage health and healing, and working with mental health experts to develop positive programs and workshops that use those animal-human connections.

Find out more about Wishing Well Sanctuary,



located at 2710 Line 10 BWG, at an Open House on Saturday, May 12, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be a Silent Auction, Raffle, Flower Sale, an opportunity to meet the animal residents - including Kingston - and to talk to a beekeeper, who has his hives on the property.

A highlight of the event will be the dedication of a "Peace Pole," at 12:30 p.m. Carved by an artist, the pole bears the words "May Peace Prevail Around the World" in languages that include English, French, Sanskrit, Hebrew and Brail - interspersed with animal paw and hoofprints.

After half a year, Thomas says she is "thrilled, excited" about the success of Wishing Well Sanctuary. "As time moves along, I feel better and better - the vision's really becoming a reality!"

For more information, to donate to the Silent Auction, or to sponsor an animal or stall, call 905-775-9179.

Kingston the pot-bellied pig, right, Lily and friend, at Wishing Well Sanctuary. Photo, story by Miriam King.

Spring Digital Photography Workshop

Spring blossoms, newly-budded leaves, wildflowers carpeting woodland glades... Learn to capture the beauty of spring in a Spring Outdoor Digital Photo Workshop, Saturday, May 12 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Nature Centre, Scanlon Creek Conservation Area. Join instructor Peter Burch, to learn about light and camera settings, image composition, landscapes and wildlife photography, and close-ups. The workshop is geared to those at the Basic to Intermediate level. Bring a camera; a tripod would be an asset.

Cost is only \$40 per person, which includes coffee and muffins at 9 a.m. Space is limited. Please pre-register with fee, by mailing a cheque to the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation, 120 Bayview Parkway, Box 282, Newmarket ON L3Y 4X1 or call Judy Milner at 905-895-1281 ext. 241 by pay by VISA or MasterCard. Payment must be received by May 8. For details, contact Brenda Winter, 905-895-1281 ext. 263.

Become a Friend of Scanlon Creek

Friends of Scanlon Creek Committee is a new volunteer committee being established to guide the development of community environmental education and stewardship projects at Scanlon Creek Conservation Area, just north of Bradford. Learn more and get involved on Tuesday, May 29 at the Bradford Public Library multi-purpose room, 425 Holland St. West in Bradford, from 7 to 9 p.m. For more information, contact Brenda Winter at b.winter@srca.on.ca or 905-895-1281 ext. 263.

Nokidaa Trail Walk this Sunday

Nokidaa Trail Walk on Sunday, April 29, from noon to 4 p.m. Get a map and list of activities, at any start location - including Newmarket Riverwalk Commons, 200 Doug Duncan Dr., or the Town of Newmarket Municipal Office, 395 Mulock Dr. Bring a lunch. All-ages guided tours, bird-watching and more.

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Arts & Entertainment!

Fildcrest Elementary School in Bradford students and staff present "The Rockin' Tale of Snow White" - on stage at Bradford District High School, 70 Professor Day Dr., April 26, at 6:30 p.m. Tickets \$5 per person, and the whole community is invited to come out and meet Snow White, the Evil Queen, rapping Magic Mirror, Seven Dwarves,

and two princes. For tickets call Megan Crane at Fildcrest, 905-778-2010.

The Pajama Game, a delightful Tony Award-winning musical, based on the book "1 1/2 Cents" by Richard Bissell, is the final offering in The South Simcoe Theatre's 2011-2012 season. On stage at the Old Town Hall Theatre, 1 Hamilton St. in

Cookstown, to April 29, with 8 p.m. performances Thurs-Sat., and 2 p.m. matinees on Sundays. Tickets are \$23 per person; call the box office at 705-458-4432, or see www.southsimcoetheatre.com.

Kempfenfelt Community Players present the final production of their 2011-12 season, **The Full Monty**, at Barrie's Mady Centre for the Performing Arts. The musical comedy, directed by Stephen Bainborough, opens May 3, followed by an Opening Night Reception. Performances at 8 p.m. on Thurs., Fri. and Sat., and 2 p.m. matinees on Sun., May 3-13. Tickets \$22 for adults, \$17 students and seniors; group rates available. Call the Box Office, 705-739-4228 or visit www.kempfenfeltplayers.com/shows/2012/the-full-monty

The Aurora Cultural Centre, 22 Church St. in Aurora, presents pianist Katherine Chi in Concert, part of the Great Artist Piano Series, Friday, April

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Tasty serving of the Arts

Members of the Bond Head Fine Arts Group, joined by Guest Artist Ruth McLeod, served up a generous helping of the Arts, at the annual Bond Head Arts Café.

Held at the Osler Hall of St. Catherine of Alexandria Catholic Church, April 20 and 21, the Café featured works by Coral Dryden, Mary

Artymko, Meade Helman, Emilio Spalla, Joseph Stellato, Ingrid Schienke, Kathy Bauer, and Cathy Wasielewitsch, and the pottery of Erika Helman. "The furthest anyone comes is Newmarket," said Meade Helman,

founder of the group, which meets regularly to paint and share ideas at his Woodwright Studio.

Styles ranged from Realism to Expressionism, to abstract art - including a series of experimental works by Ingrid Schienke.

The works, built around tiny black and

white photographs that she found after the death of her parents, feature sayings, comments, colors and ideas that evoke memories and the past.

The works aren't for sale. "This is sort of my little healing process," Schienke says. "You start holding these pictures, you find yourself going back," capturing

favorite expressions and emotional memories - everything from old arguments to "the trip to Paris we never took." Although the paintings are not for sale, she's willing to take commissions to create similar



personalized images.

"I'd love to do this for people," helping others to capture memories.

The Art Café was a great place to satisfy a hunger for the arts, meet the artists, and purchase original works.

Photos: Artist Ingrid Schienke, with experimental work.

Bond Head & Beeton Lions Clubs

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Community fundraisers

Vita & Stephanie Cut-a-thon fundraiser

For over a decade, Mary Inogolia has been holding an annual Cut-A-thon - inviting the community to drop in to her salon, at 118 Holland St. East, and get a haircut for a donation to the Hospital for Sick Children's Cochlear Implant Unit.

It's her way of honouring the memory of her daughter Vita Nall, and granddaughter Stephanie, who were killed in a tragic collision - and of saying thank you to the Hospital, for their work on cochlear implants.

Mary knows the implants aren't a "cure" for deafness - but she also knows that when Stephanie received an implant, it was like a "gift of hearing" for a child born profoundly deaf.

The 12 Annual Vita & Stephanie Cut-a-thon for the Cochlear Implant Unit will be taking place Sunday, May 6 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Mary & Vita's Hair Design, 118

Holland St. East in Bradford. Drop by for a haircut for a donation to the cause, plus Bake Sale, BBQ, and the annual Promo Contest Draw - 1st prize a 42" LCD HD TV, 2nd Prize 1 week accommodation at the True Blue Golf & Racket Club in South Carolina, and 3rd prize - Basket of Hair Products. For information, or to purchase tickets, call 905-775-8775.

M&M Meat Shops Charity BBQ

M & M Meat Shops hold their 24th Annual Charity BBQ Day on Saturday, May 12 - flipping burgers and hot dogs to raise funds for the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of Canada. Between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., visit any participating M & M Meat Shop, and for a minimum donation of \$3, receive a hot dog or hamburger, drink and bag of chips. For an extra \$2 purchase a Strawberry Shortcake ice cream bar. Every penny goes to the CCFPC for Crohn's & colitis research.

Bradford's M & M Meat Shop is at 478 Holland St. W.

In addition to Charity BBQ Day, shoppers can buy and receive a paper Star in any M & M Meat Shop, or online at ccfc.ca/star, for a chance to win a \$500 M & M Meat Shops gift card. Donate \$3, for a Star, a Blossom Pastry and 2 chances to win - or \$5 for a Star, \$50 in savings Coupon Book, and 3 chances to win.

Charity Poker!

Like poker? Want to contribute to a good cause? The Bond Head & Beeton Lions Clubs are holding another charity poker tournament this Saturday, April 28 at the Bond Head Hall. Registration begins at 1 p.m., game starts at 2 p.m., with the usual format: A \$40 buy-in, with all buy-in money going to the prize pool. Door prizes, refreshments - including Beef on a Bun.

All players welcome. For info or advance tickets, contact Ed at 905-775-5921 or ask any Beeton/Bond Head Lions Club Member.

It's time to get McHappy!

On Wednesday, May 2, get "McHappy" - and help raise funds for Ronald McDonald House.

More than 1,400 McDonald's Restaurants coast to coast will be celebrating the 19th annual McHappy Day, donating \$1 from every Big Mac, Happy Meal, and hot McElate beverage sold on May 2 to support children's charities, like Ronald McDonald House of Canada.

Funds raised in Bradford will go to Ronald McDonald House Toronto, which provides a home away from home for seriously ill children and their families, who must travel to the city for treatment at Toronto hospitals. The new 100,000 sq. ft. facility, which opened its doors on November 18, 2011, can accommodate 81 families at a time - making it the largest Ronald McDonald House in the world.

Families from out-of-town can stay for up to 40 nights, as their child undergoes treatment - at a cost of only \$15 per night. Ronald McDonald House also provides comfort and support services to its families, helping them deal with an often

chaotic and traumatic time. In 2011, families from the Barrie-Bradford area spent a total of 522 nights at Ronald McDonald House Toronto.

McDonald's franchisees and staff will be joined by local "celebrities" on Wednesday - greeting customers, serving up Big Macs and McHappy Meals, and raising funds for a great cause. "We look forward to bringing the spirit of McHappy Day to life for our customers," said Bradford franchise owner/operator Jason O'Neill. "This day is a true celebration of the power of community."

Since McHappy Day had its start 19 years ago, the one-day fundraiser has raised nearly \$35 million.

Mom 2 Mom Spring Sale

The Bradford Mom 2 Mom Sale takes place Saturday, May 12, upstairs at the Bradford Community Centre, 125 Simcoe Rd., 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Gently-used toys, clothes, books, baby items from highchairs to strollers, kids' items, etc. Admission is \$1, and all proceeds go to the Helping Hand Food Bank.

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BWG residents clean up the community

CLEAN UP, from Page 1

Butternut Trees donated by the South Simcoe Streams Network.

More community clean-ups are planned.

The 34th Annual Holland River and Community Clean-up in the Town of Newmarket takes place Saturday, May 5 from 9 a.m. to noon. Register beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the Newmarket Municipal Offices, 395 Mulock Dr. Gloves and garbage bags provided - plus a free lunch for the volunteers.

And the Town of Innisfil hosts its annual Pitch-In Day on Saturday, May 12. Last year, 2,235 Innisfil residents registered for Pitch-In Week, and pulled 15,108 kg. of trash from ditches, parks and roadsides, collected 30 cu. yards of discarded tires, 2 cu. yards of metal, "and a pink toilet," said Pitch-In Committee Chair, Donna Orsatti. This year, the committee has launched the "Clean Sweep Ward Challenge." Councillors are being challenged to see which Ward can sign up the most participants for Pitch In Day. Residents can sign up online at pitch-in@innisfil.ca or call 705-436-3740, ext. 2410 - and either clean up their area for 20 minutes any time during Pitch-In Week, or come to their local fire hall at 9 a.m. on May 12 to sign in, enjoy free coffee and Timbits, pick up gloves and garbage bags.



Clockwise from above: Scout Team took on the Town, in the Clean Sweep Challenge; Parkview buses brought volunteers to clean-up sites around Bradford; Scouts also helped plant trees along Fraser Creek, at Trailside Dr.; Mayor Doug White demonstrates broom handling technique that helped the Town Team win the Golden Broom.



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Horticultural Events!

Bond Head Horticultural Society

The Bond Head & District Horticultural Society meets Thursday, April 26 at the Danube Srs. Leisure Centre, 715 Simcoe Rd., and celebrates its 37th Anniversary, 7:30 p.m. Guest Speaker is Ken Brown, on Garden Seduction! All are welcome to attend. Refreshments. For more information, contact 905-775-8890.

Spring Preview at Lakeview Gardens

Lakeview Gardens Garden Centre, located at 1712 Killarney Beach Rd. in Lefroy, hosts its annual Spring Preview on Saturday, May 5, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. - an opportunity to see behind the scenes and tour the greenhouses, reserve your hanging baskets (to be picked up once danger of frost is gone), and chat with the Radcliffe family about gardening.

This year, something new: The Radcliffes have torn down the old outdoor/plastic greenhouse retail area, and installed a new "very elaborate" fully-automated, heated, wheelchair-accessible greenhouse that measures 24' by 54' - and that will provide a comfortable retail shopping experience, no matter what the weather. Join the celebration and ribbon-cutting with Innisfil Mayor Barb Baguley and members of Council, at 12:30 p.m. on May 5. For more information, see www.lakeviewgardencentre.com or call 705-456-5822. Note: the Garden Centre opens for the season today, April 26.

Bond Head Hort. Society Plant Sale!

The Bond Head & District Horticultural Society hosts their annual Plant & Bake Sale at the Bond Head Community Hall (County Rd. 27 in Bond Head) on Saturday, May 12 from 9 a.m. to noon. Home baking, perennials from members' gardens, annuals, and great Mother's Day gifts!

GDHS Spring Flower Show & Tea

The Gilford & District Horticultural Society hosts its Spring Flower Show & Tea at the Churchill Community Centre, Saturday, May 12. Bring in Flower Show entries (Tulips, Grape Hyacinth, Iris) between 9:30 and 11 a.m.; judging begins at 11. The Show and tea room will be open to the public from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. The fee is \$5 per person.

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Clothing, Metal Drive at Sir William Osler P.S.

Sir William Osler Public School, located on County Rd. 86 in Bond Head, held an Earth Day assembly on April 20 - showing student-made videos on environmental issues, and launching three new ventures.

Teacher Lisa Smith challenged students to "make something new out of something old," in 3 categories: Fashion, Something Useful ("Use your imagination!"), and Toy Cars. The cars must be made from recyclable materials, and will be judged on design, creativity, choice of materials, and "going the furthest distance" on a ramp.

The community is also being invited to help the school go "Green," by participating in two school fundraising drives, designed to keep unwanted items out of landfill. From April 30 to May 7, Sir William Osler PS will be collecting clothing for its "Bag2School" fundraiser. Unwanted and outgrown clothing, shoes, purses, sheets, towels - any clean clothing, soft toys, shoes tied together, belts, purses - are bagged for shipment to Third World countries, and the school is paid per ton. Last year, the effort raised \$200, "and keeps things out of the landfill," said Smith, noting that in most western countries, discarded textiles make up 6 to 12% of landfill waste.

And on May 5, 6 and 7, residents are invited to drop off metal and unwanted electronics at the school for recycling. Anything metal - aluminum siding, motors, paint cans, metal fencing, filing cabinets, car parts, BBQs (no propane tanks!), chains, exercise bikes, curtain rods, cutlery, pipes, etc. - and any electronics (computers, microwave ovens, vacuum cleaners, toasters, extension cords, clock radios, etc.) and batteries are wanted. Please, no refrigerators or freezers.

Last fall, Sir Wm. Osler's metal/electronics collection generated about \$2,000, funds that were used to enrich the learning environment. The community is asked to help out again this spring!

It's true - Blue Grew!



Simcoe County has added new plastic items to its list of Blue Box recyclables, through the county's *Blue Grew* campaign. To accommodate the additional items, residents will be receiving a new 8-litre recycling bin.

Items added to the list include rigid plastic household containers and lids marked 1 through 7, clamshell packing (used to hold baked goods and produce), clean plastic plant pots and trays, small yogurt/pudding cups, and the lids from take-out coffee cups.

Still not accepted in the blue box program: Plastic wrap and plastic bags and styrofoam. "These items remain difficult to collect, process and market consistently," explained Director of Solid Waste Management, Rob McCullough.

The County received funding from the Continuous Improvement Fund to help offset the purchase of the larger blue boxes, which are made of recycled plastic. Residents are asked to place all paper fibres in a separate bag/bin from the plastics.

Photo: Promotion & Education Co-ordinator with the County, Gabriela Roman-Adel delivers new blue boxes.

County of Simcoe Waste Management Information



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Taking steps to bridge the funding gap

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future customers."

Morton noted that BWG is not the only municipality that faces problems of aging infrastructure, increasing regulation, and decreasing funding. Richmond Hill now puts 9% of its budget into Reserves, to address asset management. Stouffville-Whitchurch sets aside 1% of its municipal tax increase for Capital Reserves.

BWG Council needs to consider how it will address the gap. "It's not something that's going to be fixed overnight, or even in a year or two," Morton said, but could take as long as 15 years. "I don't see us having a gold-plated Asset Management Strategy... but we have to move forward."

Among the recommendations: introduction of new software and electronic document management systems, development of a risk management framework, a greater emphasis on preventative maintenance - and the hiring of two new positions, a Corporate Asset manager and a Business Analyst to provide IT support.

Councillor James Leduc questioned the proposed new hires. "Why doesn't every department do the asset management? Why do we need a Corporate Asset Manager?" he asked. Councillor Ron Simpson also

suggested that the departments could do the work, using the new software, "rather than having some third party person who will cost us who knows how much money."

Morton agreed that by ensuring all departments start off with the same software, the position may not be necessary at this time. "Each Department is going to do its own Asset Management," he said, although a Corporate Asset Manager would set priorities, and provide guidance. "Maybe that position fits in later. Maybe we don't need it now."

Town Manager Jay Carrier noted that the Asset Management Plan is still in the preliminary stage - and right now, it appears that "we're contributing about 10% of the amount we should be... How do we get from a losing position to a sustainable position? There are major issues."

He pointed out that the province has on two occasions brought forward Bills that would make Asset Management mandatory for water and wastewater infrastructure. Although neither Bill has passed, "the warning shots are continually being fired over our bow... Obviously it isn't going to be a big surprise to us when legislation is put in place," and the province demands an asset management plan before providing new infrastructure funding.

"We have to wade into it. We have to do it," said Mayor Doug White - warning that moving too quickly could result in "unsustainable" tax increases. "It's quite a balancing act." He added, "I'm a bit galled at the province - a \$16 billion deficit, preaching to us... The province has a simple solution - go into debt. We can't do that."

Instead, White called for a multi-year plan, to begin setting aside the funds needed. "It would be a mistake to do to future Councils what past Councils did to us," by limited tax increases and expenditures on needed repairs and replacement of infrastructure. "We have to at least take steps to close the gap... recognizing what we need to do is the first step."

Animal Control costs out of control?

For the first year of its Animal Control Services Agreement with the City of Vaughan, the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury has paid \$150,110 - \$96,180 for animal control, including staff, training, truck and equipment; and \$63,930 for the shelter fee.

Looking at only the shelter fee, for the 97 cats and 30 dogs picked up in BWG, that comes to \$593.39 per animal.

And the fees are going up. For the second year of the 3-year contract, the Town will be paying \$88,765 for contracted services, and \$72,884 as its share of the shelter costs, which it shares with Vaughan and King Township. The total - \$161,549 - represents a 7.6% hike.

The amount paid is almost double that paid by the Town of Innisfil, just to the north, which has a contract with a company called "Bye Bye Birdie Goose Control." Innisfil pays \$85,469.28, which includes animal control services, Pound services, and taxes.

Horticultural Events!

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Cookstown Library Plant Sale

The Cookstown Branch of the Friends of the Library will hold a Mother's Day Plant Sale on Saturday, May 12 at the Cookstown Public Library, 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Annuals, Perennials, and a Keweenaw with decoratively potted plants for Mom, Grandma or Auntie! Refreshments available. Note: The Friends are now looking for donations of perennial plants, for the upcoming sale. Donations can be left at the Cookstown Library, or call Sue at 705-458-1273 to make arrangements.

Gilford & District Hort. Society

The Gilford & District Horticultural Society holds a General Meeting on Monday, May 14, 7:30 p.m. at the Churchill Community Centre, in Innisfil. Iris Alvia, designer and owner of Casablanca Flower & Decor in LeROY will demonstrate the basics of preparing a floral design; see www.casablancflower.ca Refreshments.

Perennials Plus Plant Sale

Bradford United Church holds its 9th annual Perennials Plus Plant Sale, Saturday, May 19th at the Church, 666 Barrie St. in Bradford, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Peonies, Irises, rhubarb, hostas, ground covers, annuals and perennials, ideal for your home or cottage! For every \$20 worth of plants purchased, receive a ballot for a draw for a Restaurant Gift Card. For more information, call 905-775-7268.

Vendors Wanted for Big Sale

The Gilford & District Horticultural Society is looking for vendors for the annual Plant, Tailgate, Bake Sale & BBQ to be held Saturday, May 26 at the South Innisfil Arboretum in Gilford, at the corner of Shoreacres Drive and the 20th Sideroad. For more information or to book your space, contact Judith at 705-456-3299, or email u.matchett@gmail.com

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Queen's York Rangers events

The Queen's York Rangers Heritage Lecture takes place Weds, May 2, at the new Aurora Cultural Centre, 22 Church St., 7-8:30 p.m. Lieut.-Colonel Diane Kruger, curator of the Queen's York Rangers Museum, will discuss the Rangers and their role in the War of 1812. Admission by donation.

On Weds., May 9, the Lieutenant Governor Simcoe's Levee takes place at the Aurora Cultural Centre, 6 - 9 p.m. - a catered Cocktail Reception in support of the Queen's York Rangers' Regimental Assistance Plan. The Queen's York Rangers Pipes & Drums and period re-enactors, Silent Auction. Special guest is the Hon. David C. Onley, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario. Tickets are \$250 per person, in advance only - sponsorships are still available.

The Queen's York Rangers celebrate the Grand Opening of their new home, the John Graves Simcoe Armoury at 215 Industrial Parkway South in Aurora, on Sunday, May 27. Parade starts at the old armoury, 138 Larmont St. at 1 p.m. - with a ribbon cutting and festivities at the John Graves Simcoe Armoury at 2:30 p.m. Open to the public - free!

During the entire month of May, the Queen's York Rangers Heritage Helmet Art Show is on display at the Aurora Cultural Centre. Nine visual artists living in or near York Region were chosen to create works of art using World War II helmets - which will also be up for auction on eBay. On Sunday, May 27, the helmets will be moved to the new Armoury and winning bids will be announced. Proceeds go to the Rangers' Regimental Assistance Plan. See www.simcoesleve.ca



94 Squadron Newmarket Air Cadets Tag Days! Flight Cpl. Owen Parkin, left, and Cpl. Daniel Zaczynski outside Walmart in Bradford, Apr. 24

Aboriginal burial ground desecrated

South Simcoe Police are investigating the desecration of an Aboriginal burial ground, dating back hundreds of years. The site, located in a field near Simcoe Rd. and the 6th Line of Bradford, was excavated by Archaeologists and archaeological students last year. In August, at the end of the dig, the human remains were reburied.

Just this week, it became apparent that someone had dug up the bones, and smashed them, possibly last fall.

Police have been called in and are conducting a criminal investigation into the desecration, at the request of the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nations.

"They are very upset... It's very unfortunate," said Sgt. John Van Dyke. "Whoever did this has no respect."

He noted that many small bone fragments have been recovered, and handed over to a Physical Anthropologist, who will attempt to put them back together.

"It's an ancient burial ground," said Sgt. Van Dyke, but there was no secret about the location of the site. There were "lots" of people in the area who were aware of the excavation, and the nature of the dig. The field itself is a popular location for dirt biking.

Anyone with information regarding the desecration of the site is asked to call South Simcoe Police, at 905-775-3311.

Archaeologist Bill Finlayson, who excavated the site at the request of the property owner and developer as part of an archaeological assessment of the site, called the vandalism "very disappointing."

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SOUL SURVIVORS: A Cancer Support Community meets the 1st Weds. of the month at

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WEEKLY BINGO: Innisfil Lions Club host a weekly Bingo, Mondays, 5 p.m. doors open, 6:45 p.m. Bingo begins, at the Lions Hall on Innisfil Beach Rd., Alcona. Refreshments available. For info, call 705-436-1826.

HELP FOR IMMIGRANTS: Bradford Immigrant & Community Services (BICS) located at 11 Holland St. East offers English Language Classes for Newcomers to Canada, Settlement Assistance, Integration to the Canadian Social System Program, Parenting Workshops, Translation and interpretation services. Form completion and document help, referral, and more. 905-775-3343 or see www.bradfordimmigrant.com

HWG COMMUNITY MEAL: A free hot meal and fellowship for anyone on fixed income, social assistance, struggling to make ends meet, lonely, or families trying to stretch their food budgets, at Bradford United Church, 66 Barrie St. in Bradford. Every Friday at 5:30 p.m.

T.O.P.S.: TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly) is a weight loss support group that meets at the Lions Pool Bldg. Tuesday evenings, 6-7 p.m. No charge to drop in and see what TOPS is all about. Membership is \$30/year, \$2 per meeting. For details call 905-775-9018.

ST. MICHAEL'S UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH: 721 Simcoe Rd., Bradford, Fund raising perogies and cabbage rolls every Sat. and Sun. 12:30 to 4 p.m. info, call the church 905-551-1651.

ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH (NW corner of County Rd. #4 & 11th Line) Sunday Service at 10:00 a.m. Sunday School with Service 289-231-3253

Bradford Community Church Mid-week small group 905-775-0268, located on the St. J. corner of Hwy #11 & Conco. #9 Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. Sunday - 8:00 to 9:30 Children 4-12 yrs

Riverbide Bible Chapel 905-836-1798 #20426 Bathurst (North of Hwy 11) 11:00 am - Family Bible Hour 8:30 pm - Evening Service 7:30 pm Wed. - Prayer - Bible Study

Bradford Baptist Church 3224-101 St. Rd. (2 km north of Hwy 86) Sunday Services: 10am Kid's Program JK-Grade 8 Mid-week Youth Program & Portuguese Ministry 905-775-5700 www.bcboweb.ca

St. Catherine of Alexandra Catholic Church (Byzantine Rite) 16 Hawn St., Bradford, Sunday Eucharist: 9:30am (Ukrainian), 11:30am (English) 905-775-6262 info@stcatherineofalexandra.ca

Holland Marsh Christian Reformed Church 16035 Holland St., R.R. #2 Newmarket Sundays 10:00 am & 4:30 pm Sunday School & Nursery with service Mid-week youth & adult programs Rev. Richard Bodin 905-775-7291 E: hollandmarsh@rcparag.com

St. John's Presbyterian 2940 - 10th St. (at Hwy 8 & Midwestern SP) 905-775-7274 Sunday Service 11:00 a.m. Sunday School & Nursery provided. stjohnspresbyterian.ca

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Society meets, 7:30 p.m. at the Danube Sts. Leisure Centre, 715 Simcoe Rd. Speaker is Ken Brown, on Garden Seduction. Refreshments. For info, call 905-775-6890.

SAT., APRIL 28

DAY OF JOY: St. Peter's Anglican Church in Churchville, Innisfil, 8:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Show Me Your Glory - an Inter-Varsity Pioneer Women's Program led by Ann Dempsey, and featuring the Guided Hams. Register at 8:45 a.m., Lunch at 12:15 p.m. Women will fellowship, learn from God, and discover His direction, \$20 per person. Register at 705-456-5373 or womeninistry@pioneercaam.org

LIONS POKER TOURNEY: The Beaton and Beaton Lions Clubs host another Charity Poker Tournament, \$40 buy-in with all buy-in money going to the prize pools, and re-buys to charity. 1 p.m. registration at the Bond Head Hall on County Rd. 27. Game begins at 2 p.m. For info or advance tickets call Ed, 905-775-5921 or for Beaton or Beaton Lion.

EARTH DAY AT THE LIBRARY: Free family drop in Saturday at the Bradford Public Library, 425 Holland St. West, 1-3 p.m. Crafts and activities, for ages 3 and up - adult supervision required.

WEDS., MAY 2

GRANDPARENTS, PARENTING AGAIN SUPPORT GROUP: For grandparents with formal or informal custody of their grandchildren, 1-3 p.m. at the Ontario Early Years Centre in Bradford, 118 Barrie St. Limited childcare for ages 0-6 available. **QUEEN'S YORK RANGERS HERITAGE LECTURE:**

Lt.-Col. Diane Kruger, curator of the Queen's York Rangers Museum, talks about the Rangers and their Role in the War of 1812, at the Aurora Cultural Centre, 22 Church St., Aurora, 7:30-30 p.m. by donation.

FRI., MAY 4

PORK DINNER IN COOKSTOWN: St. John's Anglican Church in Cookstown hosts a Pork Dinner, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Church, 29 Church St. For more information or tickets call Diane at 705-458-2723.

SAT., MAY 5

MURDER MYSTERY DINNER: Bradford United Church presents Murder at the Manse, by Thom Stensson. Enjoy a fabulous chicken dinner, and a show of the new "whodunit" at 66 Barrie St. in Bradford. Tickets \$30, call 905-775-7268 to reserve. Doors open at 5:15 p.m. Dinner is served at 6 p.m.

FAMILY PANCAKE BREAKFAST: For pre-schoolers and their families, 9:30 a.m. at the Ontario Early Years Centre in Bradford, 118 Barrie St. Pre-register at 905-775-3039, ext. 229

SIMCOE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY: The Simcoe County Branch of the OSS meets 2 p.m. at the LDS Church, 79 Ferris Lane in Barrie. Marc Stevens will tell the story, "Escape, Evasion and Revenge - the true story of a German-Jewish RAF Pilot." All welcome. Book table opens at 1:30 p.m. For info, call Ken 705-728-1170.

SOUTH SIMCOE POLICE AUCTION: At 18 & A Auction Centre, 5131 County Rd. 4 (Yonge St.), north of Bradford. Viewing at 3 p.m., auction begins at 4 p.m. Bikes, tools, etc. A fundraiser for community policing.

SUN., MAY 6

NEW TEACUPSET SINGERS RECUP SETTING CONCERT: At Knox Presbyterian Church, 160 King St. in Alliston. Ontario, Opera, Broadway, Glee - celebrating 20 years of New Teacupset Singers. 3 p.m. Tickets at the door.

12TH ANNUAL VITA & STEPHANIE CUT-ATHON:

At Mary & Vita Hair Design, 118 Holland St. East, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Haircuts by donation to the Hospital for Sick Children Cochlear Implant Program. Also, Promo contest draw, bake sale, BBQ and more! For info call 905-775-8775.

MON., MAY 7

SCACA CRAFT MEETING: Make a Toothbrush Rug with Gladys Fieldhouse, using strips of fabric and a modified toothbrush, at the Simcoe County Museum, 1151 Hwy. 26 (north of Barrie). Doors open 12:30 p.m. See www.simcoecrafts.ca for a list of what to bring. Guests 10, includes instruction, materials, light refreshments. RSVP to info@simcoecrafts.ca or call 705-739-1438.

Spring Fling!

St. Charles School hosts its 50th Jubilee and Spring Fling Dance on Saturday, May 5. Today, April 26 is the final day to RSVP for the Fling, which will be held at the Portuguese Central Centre, 5-8 p.m. Family event includes Dinner, Silent Auction, Music, and fun - RSVP TODAY to 905-775-6762 or stcharles50@hotmail.com

BDHS Grads

Bradford District High School grads from the mid 1950s to the mid 1960s are invited to an informal BDHS Grad Reunion, Saturday, April 28, from 1 p.m. to early evening at China Gardens Restaurant, 382 Holland St. W. No charge, except for what you eat and drink at the buffet. For info call James, 519-881-1188; Rob 905-898-6872 or Bill, 416-705-9581.

Garage Sale

The Danube St. Leisure Centre's Giant Spring, Gargle and White Elephant Sale takes place Saturday, April 28, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., with music provided by Wayne Jones DJ. Services, and lunch available. Spring cleaning? Donate your "treasures" to the Centre - drop them off before Saturday, At 715 Simcoe Rd. in Bradford.

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Sports & Recreation

New and improved Bradford Bulls

by Brea Bartholot

The owner of the Metro Metro Junior "A" Hockey League, Bob Russell is putting all questions to rest. Is Bradford about to get another hockey team? The answer is a definite yes, with a draft date set for May 12 of this year.

Six years ago, Russell purchased the Bradford Bulls - opening the way for the Jr. "A" Bradford Rattlers. With the success of the Rattlers, Russell has made the decision to bring back the original team.

"I thought, well - we run one team here well... Why not start another team?" Russell said. "I thought, we have access to good players all over the world, so let's put in another team."

Russell, who owns the Bradford Rattlers and Shelburne Redwings with his business partners, plans to run the Bulls out of the Bob Bulls Sports Centre.

Even amidst the excitement and tryouts, some local hockey fans have wondered why there aren't more local players getting the chance to showcase their talent. "The GMHL is known for drafting players from around the world, and the Rattlers have an international roster."

"People have wondered why there aren't more locals on the team, and I think it's a combination," said Russell. "There aren't a lot of locals that are good enough to play on the team, to be honest. It's Junior 'A', not Junior 'C'." Russell also mentioned the cost of playing on an intensive team like the Rattlers or the Bulls. "They have to pay," he admitted. "But we do practice 8 times a week, and that is expensive."

There has been more local interest in playing for the new Bradford Bulls Tier II Jr. "A" team next season, and head coach, Bradford resident Joe Gidari, is looking for both local players, and assistant coaches. If you have coaching experience, and would like to participate in building this new team, contact Joe Gidari at gidari199541@gmail.com

Bradford Skater's Edge

The Bradford & District Skating Club attended the 2012 Skate Canada Central Region Figure Skating Boutique fun competition, held at the Thornhill Community Centre, April 13-15. Congratulations to local skaters!

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Kids have Fun in Athletics



Miriam King photo, Bradford Times

Mel Ottey, Olympian, leads elementary school kids in a "Fun in Athletics" Track and Field Meet at Holy Trinity High School in Bradford, March 19.

by Brea Bartholot

Physical fitness is one of the most important aspects of a child's development. Children should be active for up to 75 minutes per day; unfortunately, it's apparent that a majority of kids will never maintain that kind of active lifestyle.

Milt Ottey, former #1-ranked High Jumper, 3-time Canadian Olympian and double Gold medalist at the Commonwealth Games, is the current head of a healthy-living program which aims to keep children fit.

Fun In Athletics is a non-profit organization that was created in the United Kingdom, and made its first appearance in Canada just over 10 years ago, as part of International Fun and

Team Athletics. The goal is to introduce kids to Track and Field competition, fitness, and good sportsmanship. "Our slogan is, 'It's all about the kids,'" said Ottey, who found his niche in the organization. "Fitness levels are very low in schools, and we are trying to make a difference."

Holy Trinity High School in Bradford has hosted Athletics Ontario's Fun In Athletics program several times. This March 19, about 450 elementary school students in grades 4 through 8, from 7 area schools, descended on the High School. Led by Ottey, the day-long event saw the young athletes competing for fun, and the challenge of trying something new. They ran relay races, tried triple

jump, high jump and other track and field activities, and they learned the rules of sportsmanship. There was no name-calling, no foul language, no bumping or aggressive play - just good clean competition.

Winning the day was St. Charles Catholic School, which sent a team of 30 young athletes to the Ontario Finals, held in Toronto on April 18th. St. Charles placed 6th.

"This year's finals were the most competitive, in terms of participation for all of the teams competing," Ottey said. "The excitement and cheering was fantastic!"

Fun In Athletics has faced a rough road, in recent years. "Two and a half years ago, we lost our grants and partial funding from the Trillium Foundation," Ottey noted. "Since then, however, we've been able to operate through several other grants to support our programs" - which have expanded to include Zumba, and motivational speaking, allowing even more kids to have Fun in Athletics.



Students from Sir William Osler Public School get ready for the Boys' 4-person Relay, at Holy Trinity High School.

Arts & Entertainment

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at 27 a.m. Works by Ravel, Chopin, Beethoven, and Alexina Louie. \$30 adults, \$25 for students under 18, and Seniors. See www.aurora-culturalcentre.ca. Also, the World Music Series presents A Musical African Journey, releasing the new CD GIGOL, at the Aurora Cultural Centre, April 28 at 8 p.m. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20 plus HST.

Rockin' Chubby Checker in concert at the Danube Srs. Leisure Centre, 715 Simcoe Rd. in Bradford - another concert by EPC Management, raising funds for the new BWG Leisure Centre. On Saturday, May 5, hear Shon Carroll

as Chubby Checker and Dion, backed by Gerlie & The Koasters, and emceed by comedian Victor J. Hanson. Doors open 7:30 p.m. Show starts 8 p.m. Tickets are \$25, available at the Centre, 905-775-0612; Nancy's Nifty Nook 905-775-7874; and M & M Meat Shops, 905-775-2984.

The New Tecumseth Singers present a Gala Anniversary Concert, celebrating 20 years of music. "Songs from the Stage" will feature musical highlights that include choruses from HMS Pinafore, Pirates of Penzance and Mikado by Gilbert & Sullivan, and selections from Oratorio, Grand Opera, Broadway, and Glee. The

choir will also debut a work by Eric Whitacre, "Lux Aurumque" Sunday, May 6, 3 p.m. at Knox Presbyterian Church, 160 King St., in Alliston. Photo display, refreshments. Tickets \$18 adults, \$15 Srs. and Students, at Lloyd's Papermoon Gallery in Alliston, from any Choir member, or at the door.



True Colors, art show by abstract artist Paul Cienlich and wildlife artist Kelly McNeal, is at the Gibson Centre, 63 Tupper St. W. in Alliston, only to April 30.

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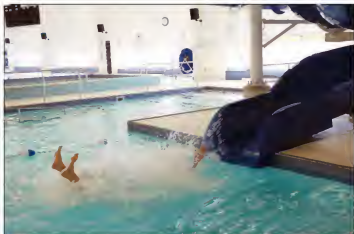
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Sports

SPLASH!



Recognize those feet? They belong to Bradford West Gwillimbury Mayor Doug White, who tried out the new water slide at the new BWG Leisure Centre. The slide offers 90' of curving fun, and a swift splashdown in the Family Recreation Pool. The Aquatics centre also offers a heated relaxation pool, and a lap pool - and was open for public swimming lessons and recreation April 20.

Aquatics programmer and lifeguard Bethany Kuniwa was on hand when the Mayor tested the slide, before opening day. A lifeguard since she was 16, Kuniwa worked with the Town of Newmarket, before coming to Bradford and the new Centre. "It's exciting and challenging, and it's finally here," she said. "It's taken a lot of planning and preparation!" Now that the whole Leisure Centre is open and in operation, plans are underway for an Official Grand Opening in May. Watch for details!

Marsh Mash Canoe Race Correction

The 34th annual Marsh Mash canoe and kayak races on the Holland Marsh canals will take place on **Saturday, May**

12 - with registration at 8 a.m., and racing starting at 10 a.m. Sanctioned by the Ontario Marathon Canoe Racing Association

(OMCRA), the Marsh starts and finishes at Springdale Christian Reformed Church, North Canal Rd. and 5 SR, BWG - but this year has a new route. For information or to sign up, contact Iain Craig at 905-893-1323 or BWG Leisure Services, 905-775-5359, ext. 5102.

Bradford Skater's Edge

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Introd. A Ladies' Freeskate - Jenieve Scobbie 3rd in Group 17, Sarah Peters 3rd in Grp 18.
Pre-Preliminary A Ladies Freeskate - Darby Hayward 2nd in Grp 3, Tori

Hayward 3rd in Grp 11.
Pre-Prelim. B Ladies Freeskate - Abbi McCarty 5th in Grp 10; Julia Tipton 4th, Courtney Andrade 6th in Grp 11.
Pre-Prelim. STARSkate - Madeline Johnson 6, Grp 9.

In Memory of Sapper Brian Collier

On July 20, 2010, the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury was shocked to learn that the community had lost a native son, to the conflict in Afghanistan - Sapper Brian Collier.

Brian Collier touched the lives of all he met. He always had a smile on his face, and put everyone and anything before himself, remembers Melissa Boyer. "Brian wanted to protect the ones he loved but never stopped there. He would help anyone in need, and wouldn't put up with bullying. He went to fight the "War on Terror" to help protect our country and ensure we would all have a safe and better life. Brian risked his life to defend our country and stand up for something he was so passionate about."

Boyer was determined to do something in his memory, to "make sure his life and his sacrifice (are) never forgotten."

And since Brian Collier was always very active in sports, in both hockey and baseball, Boyer thought, "What better way to celebrate his life, than doing something he loved?"

On Saturday, May 26, The Sapper Brian Collier 2nd 3-Pitch Tournament will be held at the Bradford Community Centre Diamonds - 3-Pitch Mudd Ball, 20 per player, all ages, minimum of

4 women per team. All proceeds will go toward scholarships in Memory of Brian Collier at both Bradford District High School and Holy Trinity High School. A donation will also be made to the Bradford Minor Softball Association, to give a child an opportunity to play

baseball.

For more information or to sign up email **BrianCollierMemorialTournament@hotmail.com** or call 905-252-1199. For information, or to donate cash, prizes or volunteer, contact Melissa Boyer at 905-898-9280.

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FRI. NIGHT APR. 27 @ 5:00 p.m.
Viewing & registration at 4:00 p.m.
at DUBEAU AUCTION CENTER.

Directions: Hwy 11, Exit Oro-Medonte Line
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Antique furn incl ice box, multi drwr cabinet, blanket boxes, wash stands, trunks, sleighs, desks, stools, cottage dressers, parlor tables, sofas, seat chairs, floor & table top gramophones, children's furn & pool table, doll access, paintings, collection incl Snow Ply rocking horse, butter trough, Quebec heater, granite ware, bakelite, insulators & bottles, old tools, phones, cameras, lanterns, lamps, clocks, paintings, brass & cast items, radios, firs, costume jewelry, incl China & Glass incl Shelley & Grindley dinner wares, east china pos, cups & saucers, Jadavita, ironstone pitcher & basin, Depression, Carnival, crystal, pressed glass, etc. **COMMENT:** This is the beginning of several auctions to be held at our hall for the incredible Estate. Much more than advertised as much is still packed.

MIXED AUCTION OF NEW & USED ITEMS

SUN. APR. 29th @ 10:30 am
Viewing & registration at 9:30 a.m.
at DUBEAU AUCTION CENTER.

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14. (Just south of Orillia). Signs posted.

Large selection of brand new items incl patio furn, garden pots & stands, held door items, bedding & other items, sporting apparel, golf bags & balls, electronics, toys, tools, gift ware, etc. Used furn incl front load washer & dryer, stacking washer & dryer, stove, bookshelves, dressers, bedroom furn, table & chair sets, glass, china, collectibles, etc. Will be a very large auction.

UPCOMING AUCTIONS:

Sat. May 5th - Collectible Auction - Trains, toys, May coins, stamps, sports cards - at Dubeau Auction Center - 10:30 am

Sun. May 6th - 2nd Auction of the Estate of Francis Jane Wraith - Quality antiques incl furniture porcelain, glass, china, collectibles, etc. at Dubeau Auction Center - 10:30 am

Fri. Night May 11th - 3rd Auction of the Estate of Francis Jane Wraith - collectibles, glass, china, furn, books, paintings etc. - at Dubeau Auction Center - 5:00 pm

Sat. May 19th - Onsite Auction - Contents of Doris Readman of Gravenhurst - Cigar Store incld, model boats, furniture, glass, china, collectibles, lawn ornaments, industrial woodworking equipment etc. - at 180 McPherson St, Gravenhurst-10:30 am

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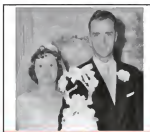
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Deaths

GAGLIARDI, Frank - Peacefully passed away with family at his side, at Southlake Regional Health Centre, Newmarket on Tuesday, April 17, 2012. Frank Gagliardi of Bradford at 69 years of age. Beloved husband of Anna. Loving dad of John (Jennifer) Barry, Phil, Frankie (Cindy) Foletti, Michael, Steven (Brienne) and Anthony. Proud Nono of Isabella, Giancarlo; Anthony, Adrian; Audrina; Joseph, Kevin and Makenna. Friends called at SKWARCHUK FUNERAL HOME, Bradford for visitation. Funeral Mass was held at the Holy Marys of Japan Church, Bradford on Friday, April 20, 2012 at 11 a.m. followed by cremation.

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Deaths

GARNATZ, Elizabeth (Hochreiter), April 19, 2012. Age 87. Beloved wife of the late Oscar. Loving mother of Shirley Smithmier, Elizabeth (Jack) Van Es, Anthony (Dabro), Barbara (Jerry) Vanderhoeven, Frank (Dana), and Gerald. Proud grandmother of 10 and great grandmother of 12. Dear sister of Anna Sauras, James Hochreiter, Ronald Hochreiter, and Lisa (Hochreiter) Alphonso. Adored step-daughter of Maria Hochreiter. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Visitation was held Friday 3-9 p.m. with a 7 p.m. Rosary services at Wujak Calcaterra & Sons, (Michigan, USA) 36900 Schoenherr and (16 Mile Rd), Mass 10 a.m. Interment Resurrection Cemetery. Share memories with the family at their "On-Line Guest Book" @ WujakCalcaterra.com

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GRANT, Betty "Nanny" - Suddenly passed away at home, with family at her side on Monday, April 23, 2012. Betty Grant (nee Bellar) of Bradford at 83 years of age. Beloved wife of the late Don. Loving mother of Donna (Bob) Johnson. Proud Nanny of Katelyn and Brady Johnson. Dear sister of Bill and Ray Bellar and predeceased by Shirley Simmons and Helen Bannister. Special thanks to extended family, Jaka Allen, Justin Jackson and Dr. Susan Kuzmick for their support and concern. At Nanny's request, no service is being held. Arrangements entrusted to SKWARCHUK FUNERAL HOME, Bradford.

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Taking Steps to end MS



Photos, story by Miriam King
Top: Newmarket Mayor Tony Van Bynen cuts the tape to start the 2012 Walk for MS, held April 22 at Newmarket Riverwalk Commons.

Above: Doug Poirier, right, has MS - and was joined on the Walk by about 30 members of "Team Poirier," including his brother Kirk. Poirier is the founder of Perchin for MS, a Perch Ice Fishing Derby that provides opportunities for people with disabilities to get out and lift the Lake Simcoe.

Left: Cameron, 10, and Danielle, 13, in balloon hats by Boballoonie. They participated in the Walk because "my Mom has MS," Danielle said.

"I walk in hope. A hope that those who struggle to walk, as a result of MS, will some day be able to walk with me." - Mike Shepherd, top fundraiser and Honorary Chair of the Walk for MS.

Multiple Sclerosis is a devastating disease that affects an estimated 55,000 to 75,000 Canadians, with an average of 3 new cases diagnosed every day - one of the highest rates of MS in the world.

The disease affects the brain and spinal cord, disrupting the brain's signals to the body, and causing symptoms that can include numbness, vision problems, impaired speech, loss of balance and co-ordination, extreme fatigue, even paralysis.

The cause is still unknown, but researchers are looking at both genetic and environmental factors, in the search for a cure - and the MS Society's annual MS Walk raises funds to support that research.

On April 22, thousands participated in MS Walks coast to coast, in communities that included Barrie and Newmarket. The York North Chapter of the MS Society of Canada organized the Newmarket Walk, attended by participants of all ages - including Doug Poirier, founder of the Perchin for MS annual ice fishing derby, and a victim of MS.

Accompanied by 30 friends and family members who came from all over Ontario, Poirier hoped to walk the 5 K route - although, struggling on the uneven sidewalk with his cane, he admitted, "To be honest, it's not going to happen today."

Poirier settled for 2.5 K, raising funds and inspiring others to take steps for MS.

Walkers shared their reasons for participating in the annual event.

"My mother-in-law has MS," - Richard Vaughan.

"My Mom has MS," - Danielle, 13.

"My Sister,"

"My Aunt."

"My Mom, who passed away from MS."

"I walk because I believe in my heart we will find a cure for MS in my lifetime. I feel every step I'm taking is getting us a little closer to that goal." - Mike Ankers, Chair of the London MS Walk.

Run/Walk for Southlake

The A & B Courier Run or Walk for Southlake Regional Health Centre takes place Sunday, April 29 at the Aurora Community Centre - with registration from 7:30 a.m. Opening ceremonies at 9 a.m., 10K at 9:30 a.m., and 5K at 10 a.m. Says Steve Hinder, Chair of the event, "You don't have to be a seasoned runner to participate. You can walk or run the 5K or the 10K, it's your choice. And for the little ones, there's the Kids Mini Mile. We truly have something for everyone. This provides the perfect opportunity for families who call Southlake their hospital to come out and show their support." Individuals and teams can register online at www.runforouthlake.ca, sponsor a participant, or create a personal fundraising page, making it easy to get involved.

Walking So Kids Can Talk

Roddy Saunders and Jeff Powys, the owners of the Upper Canada Ice Cream Co. in Bradford, will be lacking up their sneakers and walking 5K on Sunday, May 6. They plan to participate in the Walk So Kids Can Talk, a fundraiser for Kids Help Phone. The 1-800 hot-line fields an estimated 6.5 million calls each year, from kids who are struggling with issues or problems, and need a listening ear.

Saunders and Powys were inspired to participate in the Walk by the sudden death of a young customer; they'll be walking in his memory.

Walk So Kids Can Talk takes place at the Southshore Community Centre in Barrie, with registration beginning at 9:30 a.m., Walk at 11 a.m. Team Upper Canada Ice Cream will be collecting pledges at the store, located at 11 Barrie St. in Bradford - or visit walksokidscantalk.ca and donate to "Team Upper Canada Ice Cream."

Kids needing help can call Kids Help Phone, at 1-800-668-6868 or visit KidsHelpPhone.ca

Hike for Hospice Palliative care

Matthews House Hospice, located on Hwy. 89 between Cookstown and Alliston, hosts its annual Hike for Hospice on Sunday, May 6 at Spring Creek Park, on Albert St. Alliston. Registration begins 11 a.m., official opening ceremonies at Noon with New Tecumseth Mayor Mike MacEachern. Hike a 2K or 5K route, then enjoy a BBQ, face-painting, crafts, prizes and family fun. Sign up online at www.mathewshousehospice.ca

Save the Mothers Walk

The inaugural Save The Mothers 5K Mother's Day Walk will take place at Scanlon Creek Conservation Area, Saturday May 12, from 1 to 3 p.m. - a walk to raise awareness and funds for Save The Mothers, an organization dedicated to improving maternal and child health, particularly in the developing world, where childbirth can be fatal. To volunteer or sponsor the Walk, contact 905-775-7274. For more information, or to register see www.walkformothersday.com or savethemothers.org Information is also available at the Office of the Bradford Times, 74 John St. West.

Walk a Loop for Lupus!

Walk for Lupus is now Walk a Loop for Lupus. Organizer Melissa Alexander invites everyone to the Bradford Lions Park, 226 Colborne St., Saturday, May 26, to raise funds for Lupus Ontario. Lupus is an autoimmune disease that is called "the disease with a thousand faces" because it mimics so many other conditions. Help raise funds for research into a cure! Registration 10 a.m., Walk at 11:30 a.m. - plus Zumba, music by DJ Wayne Jones, games, face-painting, a Silent Auction, BBQ. Donate to Lupus Ontario: see <https://secure1.volunteer.net/lupusontario/donate-now.aspx>

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